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Reports Analysis Division
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Attn: Jennifer K. Wall

RE: Yours of March 14, 1997
Year End Report (11/26/96-12/31/96)

Dear Ms. Wall:

This is to explain a transaction that may have been unclearly reported. The debt to the vendor, first reported in the committee's Post-General Report (10/17/96-11/25/96), was reported as reversed in the subsequent Year End Report, not because it was settled, but because it should not have been reported in the first place.

The vendor's service was for the committee's nonfederal activity, representing a freight charge for literature having to do with a Pennsylvania state officeholder (governor), and neither advocating nor referencing campaigns or candidates for federal office. When the bookkeeping error was discovered, the obligation was transferred to the nonfederal account, where it should have been recorded in the first place.

Upon review of the matter, it appears that it would have been clearer to file an amendment to the report in which the debt first appeared, rather than reporting a reversing reaction as of a subsequent period. Accordingly, amendments are enclosed for both periods in question.

I hope this clarifies the issue, and apologize for the delay in responding to your letter.

Sincerely yours,

Terry Hugunin
Treasurer